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Al-Qadhdhafi Statement on Chadian Conflict LD200050 Tripoli Voice of Greater Arab Homeland in Arabic 2315 GMT 19 Aug 87

["Statement" to JANA by leader Mu'ammar al-Qadhdhafi; date and place not given — read by announcer]

[Text] The brother leader of the revolution made a statement to JANA in which he asserted: There is no enmity between Libyans and Chadians. On the contrary, they are brothers and neighbors more related than any other peoples in the region. Chad will remain forever in need of Libya. In fact, the enmity is between the imperialist forces on the one hand, and the Libyans and Chadians on the other. These imperialist forces have appropriated Chad and set it against Libya against its will. Chad is now only a tool for imperialism to implement its aim against the Libyan revolution and the Arab nation. However, it is Chad that will lose in the end. This is what the imperialists want.

The review yesterday, Wednesday, of the forces at Istresbase by the French president and his defense minister unveiled the French stand to the world. France has become completely naked. France has demonstrated to the world that the confrontation is not between Libyans and Chadians, but with imperialist France. Peace will prevail in the region if French colonialism returns to its own country and if the Chadians who are fighting each other for power are able to reconcile themselves and establish national unity. Any conflict that ever existed between Libya and Chad could be resolved by the OAU. However, if France and the United States continue, then some unexpected critical developments will probably take place in Africa.

Foreign Liaison Statement

LD192112 Tripoli Television Service in Arabic 1930 GMT 19 Aug 87

[Text] A spokesman for the People's Committee of the People's Bureau for Foreign Liaison has made the following statement: French President Mitterrand's visit to a base for military intervention in Chad in the south of France, as well as his review of the French arms and forces which participate in the occupation of Chad, underscore the aggressive stand which France has adopted for many years. France has exerted extensive military, political, and propaganda efforts to secure the protection and support of the agent 'Ibri [Libyan name for Chadian President Hissein Habre; 'Ibri means Hebrew] to consolidate his aggression against the Great Jamahiriyah.

Despite all the justifications supplied by the French Government to veil its support for 'Ibri and its direct participation in the aggression on the southern borders of the Great Jamahiriyah, the French president's review of the forces of intervention in Chad confirms the same old French policy and supports the same aggressive French aims to consecrate French occupation of Chad and threaten the security of the African Continent.

The presence of French forces in Chad constitutes a direct threat to the security of the Great Jamahiriyah, as well as a danger for the entire region. The agent 'Ibri, under the military protection of France, is free to launch his aggression against neighboring states. What happened on 8 August 1987 confirms this reality. Chad has become, in a more determined way, a base for military aggression at the service of U.S. and French interests and the imperialist tools in the region. The Great Jamahiriyah emphasizes its principled stand to repel the aggression and eliminate its source. It calls on the OAU, through the message sent to its president, to shoulder its responsibility to achieve the withdrawal of the French forces from Chad and thereby remove the factors of tension and conflict and achieve stability and peace in the region.

Al-Qadhdhafi Envoy Presents Letter on Chad to OAU LD191221 Tripoli JANA in English 1055 GMT 19 Aug 87

[Text] Tripoli, Hannibal [August] 19, Jamahiriyah News Agency — The emissary of the leader of the revolution Dr. 'Ali al-Hudhayri has handed in a written message to Dr. Kenneth Kaunda, chairman of the Organisation of African Unity (OAU) concerning the withdrawal of French troops from Chad and holding the OAU responsible from bringing about this withdrawal in that these troops pose a threat that escalates the tension thereby transforming Chad by their presence to a base of aggression threatening the security of Great Jamahiriyah and the entire region.

Al-Qadhdhafi, Kaunda Discuss Chad LD200956 Tripoli JANA in Arabic 1020 GMT 20 Aug 87

[Text] Tripoli, 20 Aug (JANA) — A telephone conversation has taken place between the brother leader of the revolution and Zambian President Kenneth Kaunda, the present chairman of the OAU.

Their discussion focused on the dangerous French intervention in Chad and its potential risk to the African Continent, as well as the concern which Africans have begun to feel about their security as a result of this intervention.

The conversation also dealt with the demonstration of power staged by President Mitterrand at the French base of Istres yesterday and the need for France to withdraw its forces from Chad in particular and from the African Continent in general.

Palestine Council Gives Support Against Aggression LD191653 Tripoli JANA in English 1441 GMT 19 Aug 87

[Text] Tripoli, Hannibal [August] 19, Jamahiriyah News Agency— The Palestine National Liberation Movement (Fatah), the Revolutionary Council has announced its firm supportive stand alongside the Libyan Arab people and its revolutionary leadership in defeating the imperialist aggression launched against the southern border of Great Jamahiriyah.

A spokesman for the above movement stresses that this direct aggression carried out by imperialism and its stooges represents the conspiracy hatched against Great Jamahiriyah and its role and firmness in standing resolutely in the face of the imperialist-reactionary schemes at all levels.

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half of Egyptian society had witnessed these wars and experienced planned Israeli aggression against Egypt because of the nationalization of the Suez Canal in 1956, in addition to the exercise of national sovereignty over Sinai and waterways in 1967. Everyone knows that the reason behind the glorious October war in 1973 was to regain Egyptian territories which Israel occupied in 1967.

In view of these circumstances, feelings of hostility toward the Palestinians and Palestine emerged and the people forgot the ugly face of Zionist aggression against the entire Arab and Islamic nation. They forgot the direct threat to Egypt represented by Israel's existence and the policy of strategic superiority it adopts. The isolationists seized the opportunity to attack Egypt's Arab affiliation and to isolate it from its environment. When they talk about the Palestinian cause, they only talk of the begrudging bestowal [of support for the Palestinians].

Even if Arab governments, including the Egyptian Government, cannot declare their rejection and hostility to the existence of the Israeli state because they are working within the framework of current international relations, which recognize Israel's existence and indeed guarantee its security, Arab nongovernmental organizations are not at all forced to adopt the same position unless they are subjected to similar international pressures.

Arab nongovernmental organizations are neither forced nor requested to limit theselves to supporting the just Palestinian struggle or the inalienable rights of the Palestinian people. Indeed, their duty is to clarify to the people the truth of Israel's existence and its threats and to propose plans to confront this aggressive existence.

Since this applies to all nongovernmental political forces in the Arab countries, it must apply particularly urgently to Egyptian political forces, as they are in daily confrontation with the enemy since the conclusion of the Egyptian-Israeli reconciliation agreement.

The task of confronting the Israelis was left to governments and armies before the reconciliation agreement, but now the Israelis are present everywhere in the country. They are actively working to invade the minds and hearts of the people and soften their feelings, not to mention their economic infiltration and the continuation of military readiness to ensure superiority over the Arabs, and Egypt in particular.

This doubles the role of Egyptian political forces, to warn people and enlighten them about the nature of the Israeli enemy and to confront the enemy and his sabotage activities. They are also

called upon to continue backing the Palestinian struggle and toparticipate in it. They must not just be content with occasional verbal support. They must confront all isolationist and Zionist claims aimed at distorting this struggle.

These are two tasks representing two sides of a coin. They cannot be separated, and any attempt to do so is in fact concealing a premeditated evil.

Those who claim that they are against Israel but who do not support Palestinian rights are in fact concealing their evil intentions to eliminate the Palestinian struggle or justifying their laxity in working [for the cause]. They are not fighting Israel in any case.

As for those who imagine that they support Palestinian rights without directly confronting the Israeli enemy, they are either hiding their intentions for personal motives — and thus are unable to prepare people for the next confrontation against the unmasked prime enemy — or justifying their laxity in this confrontation and contenting themselves with whatever support they declare for the Palestinians. Thus, they are unable to mobilize people around them against the unmasked prime enemy, Israel.

If the official leadership cannot declare this fact because of the clauses of the reconciliation treaty, what prevents unofficial forces from declaring it, even in a letter to the official leadership?

Everyone knows that political statements will not change the situation, at least for the time being. However, these statements can undoubtedly contribute to enlightening and guiding people. The people must know and remember that Israel is an enemy of Egypt and the Arabs, just as it is an enemy of the Palestinians. This is in order to thwart Zionist infiltration attempts and isolationist propaganda, and to silence the voices of begrudging bestowal and arrogance. This must be done so that Palestinian rights can become an integral part of the confrontation against the Israeli enemy, which will certainly continue until victory is achieved.

Truck With Arms, Explosives Reportedly Seized NC200932 Beirut Voice of Lebanon in Arabic 0915 GMT 20 Aug 87

[Text] Egyptian police this morning seized a truck carrying arms and explosives as it was passing through a checkpoint on a main road north of Cairo. The driver and a passenger escaped.